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### **Open Session Meeting Minutes**

Department of Military Affairs Room 230

Wednesday, March 21, 2007 10:04 a.m. – 11:12 a.m.

**Members present:** Chair Major General Albert Wilkening (DMA), David Collins (WSP), David Heinle (CapPol), Amy Smith (DNR), and Judy Ziewacz (DATCP).

**Members Absent or Excused:** Dr. Sheri Johnson (DHFS), Johnnie Smith (WEM), Dave Steingraber (OJA), and Jim Warren (DCI).

**Alternates present:** Tom Anderson (DHFS), Dan Blackdeer (CapPol), Mike Kunesh (OJA), David Pabst (WSP), Steve Peterson (WEM), Robin Schmidt (DATCP), Ed Wall (DCI brevet alternate), and David Woodbury (DNR).

Others present: Randi Milsap (DMA Legal Counsel), Lynn Rasmussen (DMA staff), Kyle Whitaker (DMA staff), Colonel Mark Mathwig (DMA staff), Colonel Paul Russell (DMA staff), Lori Getter (WEM staff), Rob Rude (WEM staff), Ryan Sugden (OJA staff), Dave Duecker (OJA staff), Greg Engle (OJA staff), Ed Gleason (DHS Protective Security Advisor - Wisconsin), Richard Ruminski (FBI-Milwaukee), Bill Frantzen (Secret Service), Mark Winscher (FBI-Madison), Paul Wolfe (WSP), Jeff Anderson (US Attorney's Office-Western District), Ed Buikema (FEMA Region V Regional Director), James Duncan (FEMA Region V National Preparedness Division), and Jean Baker (FEMA Region V Public Affairs). State Representative Joan Ballweg and Russell Rickart (FEMA Region V) joined the meeting. First Responders were teleconferenced into the meeting.

#### Quorum present.

#### 10:04 a.m. - Convene in open session.

After convening in open session, the Council took a short break.

### 10:16 a.m. – Re-Convene in open session.

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#### 5. <u>Announcements of Closed Session Discussion Action.</u>

Chair Wilkening announced that the minutes for the February 21, 2007 closed session meeting were approved and each agency provided its classified intelligence report. There was discussion on the Incident Management Teams (IMTs) and Urban Search and Rescue Task Force teams. General Wilkening also extended a welcome to State Representative Joan Ballweg.

6. Review and Approval of February 21, 2007 Open Session Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Dave Collins and seconded by Amy Smith to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2007 open session meeting minutes. **Motion carried**.

### 7. First Responder Reports.

- <u>Badger Sheriff's Assn (Ron Cramer)</u>: This is my first meeting.
- Regional Response Team Network (Neil Cameron): Things have been quiet with the Regional HAZMAT teams. There is still some angst regarding the progress on liability and the urban search and rescue task force teams.
  - o <u>DMA (Randi Milsap):</u> The council stands behind the specialty task force concept and will be discussing this issue in the coming meetings.

#### 8. Briefing by OJA on Citizen Corps Initiatives.

Presentation by Dave Duecker. See Attachment # 1, 3/21/07 HLS Open Meeting Minutes.

- <u>Chair Wilkening</u>: There is a lot of interest in Citizen Corps and the need to better educate our youth, people in remote locations, and improve team building. There is a lot of opportunity for future growth. You mentioned NIMS training. Will this be an overview of NIMS?
- OJA (Dave Duecker): The plans are not final but we could have formal training to interested attendees. The details are not yet set. We will offer insight into local EOCs.
- <u>DNR (David Woodbury)</u>: I was under the impression this was aimed towards at-risk youth? Has this been expanded?
- OJA (Dave Duecker): At-risk youth have seemed to do really well with this program, but it has not been directed as such.

#### 9. Update by OJA on the 2007 Homeland Security Funding Process.

Presentation by Greg Engle. See Attachment # 2, 3/21/07 HLS Open Meeting Minutes.

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- WSP (Dave Collins): We want to conduct Phase IV Criminal Interdiction Training this fall. We're already utilizing funds from seized assets / asset forfeiture. Is there any chance we can get homeland security funding for the program this year even though it is so late?
- OJA (Greg Engle): There is always the chance. Is it certified for funding?
- WSP (Dave Collins): Yes, it is.
- OJA (Greg Engle): We can take a look at it. We only have a few weeks left but it is possible. We'll talk offline.
- <u>DCI (Ed Wall)</u>: The Illinois Fusion Center contacted me recently. They want to know if we can get involved in a multi-state (five state) homeland security grant initiative for 2007. If they write this up, do we need to include anything in our proposals? They have offered to send it pre-packaged to Wisconsin.
- OJA (Greg Engle): Every state needs to apply for their portion of the cost. To be honest, we would need something soon and pre-packaged, ready to go.
- DCI (Ed Wall): What would that bring to us?
- OJA (Greg Engle): All multi-state requests get reviewed separately. It would be a benefit to the state. It can increase our award because it is tacked on to the top, not taken out of the state investments. Still I wouldn't want the other investments to suffer because of this.
- <u>DATCP (Robin Schmidt)</u>: Eighty percent of the monies go to local officials. So it is difficult for you to take so many state-wide initiatives. This puts your agency in a bind.
- OJA (Greg Engle): Yes, but we try to find ways to accommodate the other agencies because most are benefiting more than municipalities, i.e., MOU's, etc.
- WEM (Rob Rude): Just to add to Ed's comments, we just got some information that this is currently being reviewed.
- FEMA Region V (Ed Buikema): We are talking about two separate issues here.
- <u>DCI (Ed Wall)</u>: Strictly intelligence. *River Glass* exercise.
- OJA (Greg Engle): We have a maximum of 15 initiatives we can submit, and right now we are at 13. It is just something for you to be aware of. We should talk off-line.

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• <u>FEMA Region V (Ed Buikema)</u>: As a result of the Post Katrina Reform Act, homeland security grants are transferring to FEMA. Jim Duncan will be part of that.

#### 10. Update on the New State of Wisconsin Portal.

• <u>DMA (Randi Milsap)</u>: The new portal is currently on hold. There has been a recent change in management over at DET. We are waiting for Oskar Anderson to re-evaluate the viability of the project. More than a million dollars are currently invested.

#### 11. Other Business.

- <u>DATCP (Judy Ziewacz)</u>: Thanks for the attention that is paid to food and animals. Last week we had a python come into Wisconsin from a swap-meet in Chicago. It had ticks from Africa that we feared were carrying the Ebola virus. Fortunately, the tests came back negative.
- WSP (Dave Collins): The planning for the US Senior Open is going well. We anticipate the event will be half the size of the 2004 PGA Open. We are expecting to use the same team that we used two years ago. We expect it to be well handled. The plans are already in place to handle any issues that would arise. The event will be held at Whistling Straights on July 1-7, 2007 which includes the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. We will be bringing over our newly graduated academy class to handle traffic. Thanks to DCI for their help with the organization and handling background checks.
  - DCI (Ed Wall): Our Intel/Fusion Center is conducting background checks on all of the volunteers.
- <u>DHFS (Tom Anderson)</u>: This year we are providing logistical support and funding for a Preparedness Conference on May 23-24, 2007 in Appleton. A number of high-level speakers are expected to attend, including the Associate Chief Medical Officer for the Department of Homeland Security.
- <u>US Attorney's Office (Jeff Anderson)</u>: I want to mention an upcoming Anti-Terrorism conference for Law Enforcement with two superb speakers. It will be held on April 19, 2007 at the Kalahari in Wisconsin Dells. The conference is law enforcement sensitive, non-classified information. If anyone is interested in attending, let me know and we can work out the details.
- <u>WEM (Lori Getter)</u>: 1) The Homeland Security newsletter, *Homefront*, has just been published. A copy has been placed in each of your folders. It will go out in the mail in the next few days. Thanks to OJA for their help with it.

#### 12. Set date, time and place of next meeting.

There being no other business, the next meeting will be held on April 18, 2007 at 9:00am at Department of Military Affairs.

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### 13 . Adjournment.

A motion was made by Dave Collins and seconded by Ed Wall to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

11:12 a.m. - Meeting Adjourned.